

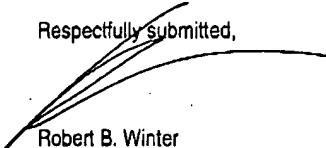
PATENT APPLICATION**REMARKS**

In order to adopt the Examiner's suggestions, Applicants hereby amend Claims 49 and 52-54. New claims 55-69 have been added in order to better define the scope and breadth of the invention.. The claim amendments and the new claims are fully supported by the specification and do not introduce new matter nor raise new issues requiring further consideration and/or search. In particular, support in Claims 49 and 60 for use of osteoprotegerin to increase bone density is found on p.14, lines 20-25 of the specification. Support for Claims 55-59 and 64-69 is found at p. 15, lines 2-16 of the specification. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amended and new claims.

**CONCLUSION**

Claims 49 and 51-69 are in condition for allowance and an early notice thereof is solicited.

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